

### REMARKS

Claims 14, 17-22, 37, 38, and 41-47 constitute the pending claims in the present application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following remarks. Issues raised by the Examiner will be addressed below in the order they appear in the prior Office Action.

1-2. Applicants note that the previous amendment was entered and considered, and that the CPA has been established.

3. Applicants have amended claims 14, 37, and 40-45 to correct the informality noted by the Examiner. Applicants have amended claim 38 analogously.

4. Claims 14, 17-22, 37, 38, and 40-47 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection to the extent it is maintained over the claims as amended.

Applicants have amended claims 14 and 38 as suggested by the Examiner. Applicants submit that the scope of this claim is not narrowed by this amendment.

Applicants have amended claims 18 and 47 to overcome the Examiner's rejection. Applicants submit that the scope of these claims is not narrowed by this amendment.

Applicants have cancelled claim 40, thereby rendering the rejection of this claim moot.

### CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections. Applicants believe that the claims are now in condition for allowance and early notification to this effect is earnestly solicited. Any questions arising from this submission may be directed to the undersigned at (617) 951-7000.

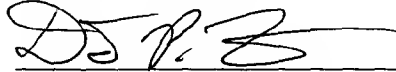
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